

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2161
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WITHDRAWAL OF SUBSIDY
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the people are not lifting the rice and wheat from the ration shops as a result of withdrawal of subsidy on rice and wheat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total loss of money to the Government therefrom?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a),(b) and (c) As per the reports received from the State Governments, offtake of foodgrains from Fair Price Shops in respect of BPL families, has not been effected. However, the offtake of APL foodgrains has been reduced in some States after increase in Central Issue Price (CIP) w.e.f. 1.4.2000. The subsidy has been withdrawn from APL foodgrains and the allocation of foodgrains for APL population and additional allocations, if any are being made at economic cost. Hence, there is no loss of money to the Government of India on this account. The prices have been further revised w.e.f. 25 July 2000.